1 George L. Mason
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Huchow, 1888
P.O. address care
E. Evans, Shanghai

2 Alfred Cobb
Shaoking. via Ningpo. Arrived in China 1878

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3 Mrs. Thos. D. Holmes
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5 Mrs Edith A. Fletcher
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6 Lydia J. Wyckoff M.D.
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Jao Ihying, Chek kiang
Philadelphia, Penn. USA

8 Edwin Newton Fletcher,
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Nov. 5, 1892.
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9/10 L. J. Sweet (Mrs. H. S. Sweet)
Beaver Dam Wis
Oct 14 1893
Towshing China.

11 W. H. Cossum & wife
12 Poughkeepsie N. Y.
Dec 15, 1891.
Ningpo, China.

13/14 J. R. Goddard & wife
Ningpo, China -
June 1868 -
Massachusetts & New York -

15 Stephen P. Barchet.
Ningpo, Yin-hwa, China
July 1865, from Germany, Md. U. S. A.

16 J. C. Britton, Soochow, Dec. 31, '88.
Pottsville, Northampton Co., Pa., U. S. A.
17 M. S. Britton. (Mrs. J. C. Britton.)

18. Emma Simcox
1879 Ningpo. 1891 Sz-chuan
Alton, Ills.

19 Annie S. Young.
1888 Yinhwa-hsien via Ningpo, Windsor, Vt.

20. Lillie Snowden.
1893 Shao-hing. via Ningpo.
Jersey City. N. J.

D. N. Lyon, from Wooster, Ohio.
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April 11th

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The brethren have all left & gone to boarding houses in town after the meeting has broken up. It shall ever be a source of great joy & comfort to me to have attended the meeting. It will strengthen me in many ways. I have been shopping today. Hope to leave tomorrow P.M.

April 12th

I left Shanghai yesterday at six oclock. Went down to / boat at four. Bro. Britton got everything fixed on for me before he would leave. Mrs. Bryan & Miss Lottie gave me a little lunch which I have been enjoying this morning with "yong ting pe thong." A Chinaman named "Jenn" who is in the inspectors office at Wongdow, 22 miles from Shanghai. He spoke English very well & was quite well informed on Chinese topics. He came in & made himself at home without an invitation ~~when~~ without asking, but as he was pleasant & the only person I could talk with I was rather glad that he came in. We ate supper "Bow yuer vah" together. He told about the Taiping rebellion, about the crossing Shanghai RR. How a man was cut in three parts by the train & in less that an hours time was dead. Then he spoke of Li-en (Black Flag) how when he met him B.T. indifferently spoke to him & / others around - not entering into conversation but sitting up on his dignity. He spoke also of his children & how they were learning the english language. When we were ready

to retire I asked if he would enter in with our evening prayer. He bowed his head while Yongling Orshong prayed. He also read as a curiosity from Matt 2. He seemed much interested as I tried to tell him about Christ. Over in Mt. 1: he read of the generation i X or of his line of descent thro' David &c. How hard it is to explain these things to an unbeliever & I presume & if we do try to explain too much we will explain it all away - we had better let / Bible stand on its own merits & not worry ourselves about parts which seem difficult — X born / man & yet a God. We can believe but not explain

Sunday Morning April 14

We reached the Foo Mun last evening at 7 o'clock & wanted to get off there but we cd. not stop for us so we went on to the Pagoda Mun. When we arrived there we were told that we cd. not get in so it was too near time for / gates to close. I happened to meet with an English speaking fellow & after much parleying he said he cd find me a boat but it is to give $1.20 for it. We finally struck a bargain at 1.00 but he wanted me to be sure to remember the wine-cash. At nine o'clock all of our things were transferred & we were on our way At quarter past ten we were at our back step. I knocked a good while & finally Mrs. B.s Amah whom she had turned off came & opened the door. Junsuer had gone out & had left the girl here. Here was my first trouble, but I was ready to find every thing wrong so I said nothing. I came in & saw T every room in the house was open except Mr B. downstairs & mine upstairs. By this time the boy had come. I made him help unload. At half past eleven I began to retire. Yongling Orshong slept in the dining room. This morning we have a pretty bright sunshiny Easter Sabbath. I thank God that he has so greatly blessed me in all of my steps so far. X I feel that it will be good for me that I'm left alone. Let us draw near to God in order that He may draw near to us.

Sunday Evening April 14

Had services this A.M. in our chapel upon Dr Thony leading & Sun Zz Doo giving an acct. of his trip to Shanghai. No. present 4 Chinese men, 1 woman

This P.M. heard Dr Parker preach fr. Phil 3:10f on "what Paul was striving for" in his X.n race. It was a strong & well put together sermon.

W.S. Hutson from Kinchang my old schoolmate & his wife (nee Miss Maude Chapin) are in town visiting their cousin Mrs. Dr. Wilkinson. Hutson does not look so well. I suppose he is studying hard as is his wont to do.

April 15.

Teacher did not come today.

Planted two rows celery & one of (chufa's?)

Bro Yong Sin called tonight. We had a pleasant chat. All is moving on very well so far as I can see

April 16

Just as I was going over to "Sea Gnea Zea" today I heard someone say "Howdy Mr Lawton". It

was quite a surprise to hear that on the street. I looked back & saw Dr DuBose's boys. Went back & who should be at my door but Mrs DuBose, Miss Flemming & Miss Gary. They went in & sat a few minutes. It was quite pleasant to have them come in. I appreciate it not a little.

I went with them over to Mr Paxton's to see Hudson & wife & baby. The baby is a fine looking little fellow.

Today has been very pretty - sun shining brightly

April 17th

Quite a pleasant surprise today - Dr Wilkinson & wife, W.H. Hudson & wife, Miss Smith & her native helper stopped in to see me a few minutes. I appreciate their calling on the bachelor no little. Friends are certainly kind & thoughtful.

Bro Yu Zun came out this P.M. to prayer meeting. He read & I listened. I do not know what he said but his subject was from 1 2nd Chap. of James.

April 18th

The boy tried in three different ways yesterday to get a dollar from me. First he wanted me to lay him one dollar to buy my provisions & at / end V wd. return what was over. I told him I did not like that plan. Later in the day he came to me stating that his mother was sick & needed medicine & something to eat. I told him I wd. wait until my teacher came, with whom his mother lives, & ask him what I cd. do for his mother in the way / providing food or medicine and his third tale was + he had been playing at dice which was a very honorable thing in China & wd. lose his face if he cd. not get / money. I told him to go to his best friend & borrow it & on Saturday night return what he borrowed. — He did not get / dollar from me & so far I have reason to be glad + he did not

April 19th

Yesterday prayer-meeting at Mr. Hayes' led by Mr. Paxton. He gave us an impressive talk on the need of staying near to Christ & having His direction at all times. Dr. C. J. Reid of the Southern Methodist Church was out. I have asked him to preach for us on Sunday – it is my time. I went over to Dr. Ws. a short time this P.M. all are well.

My little S.S. scholar Pte Li I saw on the street yesterday near the Methodist settlement. He seemed delighted to see me. May be my work has not been in vain.

The "boy" tries to bring in his English very much these days in things in the house &c. I told him tonight that I wanted Chinese. I consented to teach him English a half hour a day but besides that I did not want any English. Then I told him that if he should go to America we would not be trying always to speak chinese.

He is out tonight – it's now ten o'clock. I am persuaded that he will have to greatly change his ways or leave. I don't care much which he does.

April 20th 1895.

One week ago tonight I came into the home here to try my fortune all alone. As I think back over the week I praise the Lord because I feel that He indeed overrules all things for our good. In my Bible reading in Gen. I have been impressed with the wickedness of some of those old patriarchs yet God overruled that for the spiritual good of this cause. In my study & language I have been aided very much this week in that I had to make use of what I knew.

In my private devotions I believe I have had to depend more on God.

In my social relations I want to carry out more than ever what Maggie spoke of in one of her letters; Let the conversation be not on self so much as about things more elevating or at least more interesting to others.

Received a nice letter from Mr. Ed. N Fletcher tonight.

April 21st

Dr C. A Reid gave us a good sermon this P.M. from 2 Cor 6:16. In speaking of our bodies being the temple of living God he argued from analogy of old temple & Israelites that 1st we are set aside to a peculiar work — nothing nor any person of temple was allowed to be used in ordinary things

2nd we are to give light & life

3rd We must be attractive — As people of Israel would open their windows toward Jerusalem & were attracted towards the temple from where ever they were 4th We should have power.

Chinese service this P.M. 3 Chinamen & myself. Bros. Li Yun & Young Ling & a boy (who helped much with the singing) had a meeting for the natives at 2 P.M. When it was over I saw some in the inquiry room. May the Lord bless what was done

April 22nd

American mail today. Two nice letters from Mother & two from sis. How these letters do inspire me to work & help me to wait. God has greatly blessed me in such a mother. She is truly a noble, consecrated working Christian woman. What wd I have been without her. Sis has grown on me so much of late years. She is going to make a worker in God's vineyard. She tells me of her marriage which is to take place in June. She also tells me of Mamie's unfortunate present relations to one whom he expected to wed in the near future.

Nice letters from Dr Willingham & James. I wrote urging the Board to send James here & asking James to come telling him the Lord had provided the means for one years support on the field if he wd come. He felt it wd not be best for him to accept the proposition. I am sure the Lord was in it all. I hope we will have them with us before very long. Our Board is still in a critical, perhaps it is putting it too strong better say in an embarrassing condition. How long before we shall rightly learn how to take care of Lords — I had almost said of the Lords business relations God forbid that we should ever dare to do such a thing — how long before we will rightly carry on the work which the Lord has entrusted to us. Our aim any thing but to love one another.

Dr. Taylor & Bro. Sweet also wrote me letters. Quite pleasant to hear from my "old lady" again.

Dr. Jno. A. Broadus went to his reward March 17th 1895. If any one man has influenced my life more than another this man is the one.

April 23rd Well do I remember Dr. Broadus words to me in the Walnut St. Church after the meeting held there by Bro. Bryan Bro. Maynard & the rest of our party. I told him how I should ever work to impart to the Chinese something of the Scripture & thus be a means of spreading his (Dr. Broadus') teaching. He said "Pray for me that

if it be God's will I may live long to try to teach more of our young men." And the way he said it. Not as a man who knew it all & could teach every body else oh, no. not that way but as a servant of God who was anxious to be working in the Master's vineyard. We left Louisville, Ky. early in the morning. Dr. Broaddus came down to see us off. It was too early for many of the boys to come & I do not think any other Professors were there but Dr. B. with whom Bro. Bryan was staying came down. How easily he could have excused himself to Bro. Bryan & taken a morning nap but so he came down himself. How much inspiration that has given me.

I was greatly privileged in being allowed to take two or three meals at his home & also to dine in company with him at Dr. Pickard's. How easy every body felt in Dr. Broaddus' company. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

April 28

Yesterday Dr. Hart & Dr Reid ^ Shanghai called a short time. The wife of the latter is a S.C. lady & a niece Bishop Whitman. Her first cousin married my first cousin so we are related are we?

Dr. Randle ^ North China I see by N.C. Daily news was knocked down three times by a mob ^ soldiers & escaped bleeding from them. I do not think the wounds were bad from what the paper says. We cannot be too careful as to our treatment ^ Chinese.

Postmaster General Bissell ^ U.S. has resigned his position in the cabinet on account ^ urgent law work. Gov. B.R. Tillman seems to trying to bring the factions ^ state (S.C.) together. I have always believed that the old man meant well. He has been opposed so much that it was enough to make him look vicious & surly - having a snarl on his face much ^ time. But he has overridden it all by some means & seems to have carried his point. He at least was Governor two terms & is now Senator over Gen. M.C. Butler